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"Unto us a child is born.."

In spite of wars and rumors of wars, of threats and counter-threats, of intimidations and oppressions, our world can still celebrate Christmas this year. It was just this kind of a world into which Christ was born, and to which the angels proclaimed the message, "on earth peace among men."

May the Christmas message have greater meaning than ever before, and may it bring to you the deep and abiding peace that passes all understanding. This is our Christmas wish for you.

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DESIGNED FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

SOME YBA RESULTS

From the reports made available by state and city directors of Christian education, it is possible to indicate statistically a few of the results of the Year of Baptist Achievement, as far as the reporting churches are concerned:

3,602 churches (including some non-YBA churches) reported a net gain in Sunday church school enrollment of 77,102, as of April 30, 1956. This net increase is greater than the gains of the ten previous years combined. While these churches were gaining 8% in enrollment, their average attendance increased 10%.

2,108 churches reported organizing 4,199 new Sunday church school classes, or nearly two classes per church. (The YBA goal was "at least one new class" per church.)

These 2,108 churches reported having made 240,688 calls as a part of the Every Family Enlistment. Their teachers and officers also made 52,314 calls on absentees. They interviewed 14,540 pupils about making a decision for Christ. Altogether, these churches made 307,542 calls during the year, or an average of 146 calls per church, as part of their church school program.

These 2,108 churches indicate that more than three times as many persons attended Graded Church Schools of Missions during the YBA, as in the previous year -- 108,935 compared with 31,694.

Practically every church in the YBA conducted monthly workers' conferences and monthly meetings of the board of Christian education (or YBA committee). Many churches have organized boards which had none previously.

85% of the reporting YBA churches held one or more church membership classes.

First series leadership training credits issued during the YBA, resulting from classes held in local churches, totalled 19,587. This is three times the number issued during the previous year.

Many churches report having held a leadership class, or a school of missions, for the first time in their history.

The most important results of the YBA were in the realm of the intangible and the spiritual.

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The pages of JUDSON JOURNAL are devoted to the total program of Christian education. All age groups and all functional aspects of the program are dealt with in each issue. Programs, plans, materials, books, and other related matter pertaining to the various departments of work are included. In other words, JUDSON JOURNAL is intended to serve as the "voice" of the denomination in the broad field of Christian education.

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From the Desk of Kenneth L. Cober

NEW DIRECTOR OF CHURCH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

For the first time in six years, the Division of Education in Home, Church, and Community will have a separate department of Church School Administration. The new department director will be the Rev. Clarence B. Gilbert, pastor of the Parsells Ave. Baptist Church, Rochester, N.Y.



Clarence B. Gilbert

Mr. Gilbert is not unknown to Baptists across the convention. From 1943 to 1947, he served the denomination as Director of Junior High Work. In this capacity, he visited many of the churches, state conventions, and city societies of the American Baptist Convention. He has also served as pastor of churches in Rochester and Cuba, New York, and in Haverhill, Massachusetts.

Mr. Gilbert has served as a member of the Youth Curriculum Committee, the Juvenile Protection Committee, and the Council of Social Progress of the American Baptist Convention, and of the Protestant Committee on Scouting of the Boy Scouts of America. He has also been the Chairman of the Commission on Christian Education of the Baptist Missionary Convention of the State of New York. The Parsells Avenue Church, under Mr. Gilbert's leadership, was one of the four churches nominated by the New York state convention for a citation at Seattle, as representing churches that had made the greatest degree of progress during the YBA.

Since Rev. Frank E. Johnston resigned as Director of Church School Administration in 1951, the work of this department has been carried by Dr. James E. Fidler, in addition to his work in leadership education. Dr. Fidler will continue as Director of Leadership education, and will also continue some responsibilities in church school administration. We are greatly indebted to Dr. Fidler for carrying extra heavy responsibilities during the past five years.

Mr. Gilbert began his new work as Director of Church School Administration on Nov. 21. He will also assist Dr. Hoiland, Program Director of the American Baptist Assembly.

RESIGNATIONS

Rev. Ray Schroder resigned as Director of Christian Education and Evangelism for the state of South Dakota, as of October 15. He is now serving as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Leavenworth, Kansas, and is taking special courses at the Central Baptist Seminary. Mr. Schroder began his work in South Dakota on July 15, 1953.

Rev. David A. Leach has resigned as Director of Christian Education for the Rhode Island Baptist State Convention, to take effect on December 15. Mr. Leach will serve as Director of Christian Education for the First Baptist Church, Austin, Chicago, Illinois, and will do graduate work at the University of Chicago. Mr. Leach began his work in Rhode Island on July 15, 1954.

Rev. Allan Anderson has resigned as Director of Christian Education for the Montana-Idaho-Utah Baptist Convention, to take effect December 31, having served in this capacity since February 3, 1953.

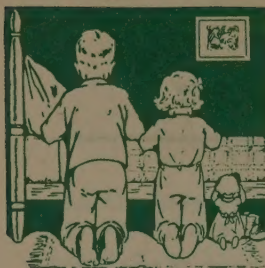
NEW APPOINTMENTS

Rev. Allan Anderson will succeed Dr. Gordon B. Forbes as Director of Christian Education for the Washington Baptist Convention. Mr. Anderson, who will begin his new work on January 1, has been doing outstanding work as director in the Tri-State area.

Rev. Joseph A. King will succeed Rev. Edgar C. Smith as Director of Christian Education for the Pennsylvania Baptist Convention. He has served as pastor of the Moundsville Baptist Church, West Virginia, and of the Franklin Road Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Ind. The latter received one of the four citations presented at the Seattle Convention for progress achieved during the YBA. Mr. King begins his work in Pennsylvania on Jan. 1 or 15.

Rev. Grant Hanson, who has been serving as Director of Christian Education in the First Baptist Church of Oakland, California, began November 1 his new work as Assistant Director of Christian Education for the No. California Baptist Convention. He will be associated with the state director, Dr. Ben G. Field.

Mr. Carl Mead, beginning February 1, will serve as Director of Children's Work for the Northern California Baptist Convention. He is the first man ever to serve as a state director of children's work, for Baptists.



Department of Children's Work

GREEN LAKE DATES

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CHILDREN'S WORK

June 23-28

...For state (city) chairmen of children's work, or a member of the Committee on Children's Work.

...The program will include a special new feature--two days of laboratory training on Day Camping for juniors.

...Area directors and children's workers should begin to plan now for your delegate to this important conference.

LABORATORY SCHOOLS

Two-grade grouping proved very popular with student teachers last summer and was requested for both schools in 1957. So, thus it will be!

June 29-July 13 -- FIRST SCHOOL

Faculty

Nursery Rev. Leonard Wilmot
and Mrs. L. H. Kingston
Kindergarten . . . Mrs. Nelson Harger
Primary Mrs. Idris Jones
Junior 1 Mildred Arnold
Junior 2 Margaret Crain
Seminar Lois Blankenship

Area directors are urged to send regional lab school teachers to the Seminar section for training in newest methods of working with adults in laboratory schools.

July 20-August 3 -- SECOND SCHOOL

Faculty

Nursery Mrs. L. H. Kingston
Kindergarten . . . Mrs. Donald Rounds
Primary Florence Stansbury
Junior 1 Mildred Arnold
Junior 2 Margaret Crain
Supervision Lois Blankenship
Dr. J. E. Fidler

The section on Supervision is for directors, pastors, and general superintendents.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WORKERS

August 17-24

In addition to the usual type of conference, next year one hour each day will be devoted to training association committee members for their respective jobs.

TO JESUS ON HIS BIRTHDAY



For this your mother sweated in the cold,
For this you bled upon the bitter tree:
A yard of tinsel ribbon bought and sold;
A paper wreath; a day at home for me.
The merry bells ring out, the people kneel;
Up goes the man of God before the crowd;
With voice of honey and with eyes of steel
He drones your humble gospel to the proud.
Nobody listens. Less than the wind that
blows
Are all your words to us you died to save.
O Prince of Peace! O Sharon's dewy Rose!
How mute you lie within your vaulted grave.
The stone the angel rolled away with tears
Is back upon your mouth these thousand
years.

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NEW DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S WORK



Welcome, Carl Mead, to our Fellowship of Area Directors of Children's Work. And congratulations to Northern California for securing Carl for this important position, which he is to assume February 1. A former director of Christian education, the father of five children, and at present an elementary classroom teacher, Carl is pre-eminently qualified for the area responsibility to which he is called.

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TO ASSOCIATION CHAIRMEN OF CHILDREN'S WORK

If you assisted with the Cluster Conferences in your Association and reminded your local chairmen of children's work of the conference, then you are ready to open your handbook, **THIS WE CAN DO**, to the middle insert report form and check off Goals 1, 2, and 3, as already achieved. That leaves only five goals to go!

To Achieve GOAL 4, which states, "Encourage every church to have a vacation church school and to participate in the special service project":

By January 1, the 1957 VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL HANDBOOKS will be in your state denominational headquarters ready for distribution to the churches. If it is possible for you to send a handbook with a personal note, to each of your local chairmen of children's work, then write to your state (or city) director of Christian education and ask for the quantity you need. In your note ask the chairman to write to the national Department of Children's Work, 1703 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 3, Pa., and ask for a sample copy of materials for the 1957 service project.

To Achieve GOAL 5, which states, "Encourage every church to use the denominational program for Children's Day, 1957, and to give a special Children's Day offering to the Winning the Children for Christ Program":

At the spring District Conferences you will be presented with a supply of the 1957 Children's Day Packets for your distribution to your local church chairmen of children's work at the Cluster Conferences. This means:

1. It is very important for you to be present for both of the above named conferences.
2. You will need to send the packet, with a personal note, to any chairmen who are not present for the Cluster meeting.
3. You will take every occasion to interpret the Children's Day observance and the special offering for the Winning the Children for Christ Program.

NOTE: Please read the column on the opposite page about Green Lake Laboratory Schools and Christian Education Conference. Plan to attend one of them.

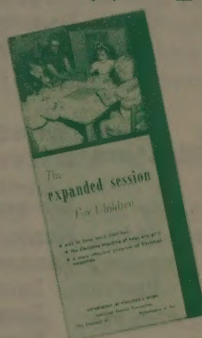
AREA DIRECTORS, PLEASE

Have you ordered your supply of the 1957 VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL HANDBOOKS? Please get them to the churches soon. Note the suggestion in the left-hand column to the association chairman of children's work.



The Vacation Church School Reports for 1956 are due. Do you need a copy of our streamlined Report Form?

NEW LEAFLETS AND PAMPHLETS



THE EXPANDED SESSION FOR CHILDREN -- 12-page pamphlet dealing with values of the expanded session and how to go about putting it into action in the church.

5¢ per copy.

DO THEY "KNOW THE BIBLE"? Eight-page leaflet on memory work. Published by the Congregational denomination but available from our Department of Children's Work. 5¢ per copy; \$3.00 per hundred.

REWARDS AND PRIZES. Another leaflet published by the Congregationalists and available from our Department of Children's Work. Deals very effectively with a controversial question. 5¢ each; \$3.00 per hundred.

NEW PROFESSIONAL BOOKS

CHILDREN'S THINKING, by David H. Russell. Ginn & Co. 449 pps. \$5.50

A presentation of research findings from all over the world on how children's thinking changes and develops as they grow. An immensely valuable book for anyone who really wants to study how children think.

DIMENSIONS OF CHARACTER, by Ernest M. Ligon. Macmillan Co. 497 pps. \$6.50

Dr. Ligon tells the complete story of research, statistical method, testing and constant revisions and growth of his Character Research Project. It is his hope that his findings will be used widely by religious educators in future programs of Christian education.

THE WINNING THE CHILDREN FOR CHRIST PROGRAM

WINTER - SPRING PROJECTS, 1957

Western Area

Florence Wangner, Regional Missionary

Jan. 4 - 11	--	Glenwood Springs, Colorado
Jan. 13 - 20	----	Denver, Colorado
Jan. 22 - 29	----	Wyoming
Feb. 12 - 19	----	Vallejo, California
Feb. 21 - 28	----	Sacramento, California
March 1 - 8	----	Auburn, California
March 11 - 18*	----	Napa, California
March 13 - 21	----	Southern California
Mar. 24 - Apr. 2	----	" "
April 4 - 12	----	" "
April 24 - May 3	----	Minot, North Dakota
May 5 - 14	----	Pierre, South Dakota
May 16 - 23	----	South Dakota

Central Area

Mildred Arnold, Regional Missionary

Jan. 4 - 11	----	Kansas
Jan. 13 - 20	----	Arkansas City, Kansas
Jan. 22 - 29	----	Topeka, Kansas
Feb. 12 - 19	----	Newton, Iowa
Feb. 21 - 28	----	Iowa
March 1 - 8	----	Iowa
March 12 - 22	----	North Shore, Chicago, Illinois
Mar. 24 - Apr. 2	----	Walled Lake, Michigan
April 4 - 12	----	Cleveland, Ohio
Apr. 24 - May 2	----	Minnesota
May 5 - 14	----	Indiana
May 16 - 23	----	Indiana

Eastern Area

Frances Rushford, Regional Missionary

Jan. 4 - 11	--	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Jan. 4 - 13*	----	Bethesda, Maryland
Jan. 13 - 20	----	New Jersey
Jan. 22 - 29	----	Camden, New Jersey
Feb. 12 - 19	----	Endicott, New York
Feb. 21 - 28	----	Pennsylvania
March 1 - 8	----	Scranton, Pennsylvania
March 13 - 21	----	" "
Mar. 24 - Apr. 2	----	Ohio
April 4 - 12	----	Canton, Ohio
April 24 - May 2	----	Carbondale, Illinois
May 5 - 14	----	West Virginia
May 16 - 23	----	West Virginia

* Directed by Margaret L. Crain

NEW WINNING THE CHILDREN FOR CHRIST MATERIALS

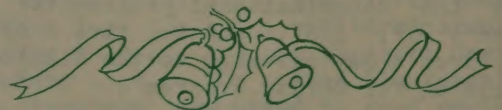
This fall three new program items were made available to interpret and promote the Winning the Children for Christ Program:

- ... Flier
- ... Poster
- ... Guidebook for Pastor and Planning Committee - 25¢

Each area director's office received a quantity of the flier and sample copies of poster and Guidebook. The flier is available in quantity for interpretation to local churches and for distribution at area conferences.



Each church that conducts the Winning the Children for Christ Program receives two copies of the poster and Guidebook. The fliers are used in quantity in relation to each local church project. Materials are available from the Department of Children's Work in Philadelphia.



LOOKING FORWARD

The two new Winning the Children for Christ staff members, Florence Wangner and Frances Rushford, report enthusiastic response from the churches this fall. There is a conscious need for this specialized outreach and training.

The program will be strengthened as two persons are trained in winter projects to direct it in their areas: Mrs. Ruth Spencer, who carries special responsibility for administering children's work in Rhode Island; and Mr. Carl Mead, director-elect of Children's Work for Northern California. Both of these persons anticipate directing Winning the Children for Christ Programs in their own states.

The Winning the Children for Christ staff is on the increase, thanks to generous Children's Day offerings. We anticipate adding a new staff member sometime in 1957.

May Christmas Joy and
Every New Year Blessing be Yours.

MISSIONARY AND STEWARDSHIP EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN



The World from Our Home, written by parents for parents, is a pamphlet for which there has been a need for a long time. Some words from the editor in the introduction will serve to whet interest in reading and using the book: "Though our children are aware of the wideness of the world in which they live they have not had time to find out much about it. Their feelings about it and their attitudes toward it are in the process of being formed. They may develop feelings and attitudes that are negative and therefore inhibiting--fear of the threat the world offers to peace and safety; superiority toward those peoples who are less privileged than they; scorn of those whose customs and cultures are different; complacency in a conviction that their country is the best place of all in which to live and has nothing to learn from other nations.

"In the development of attitudes and feelings toward the world, the home has a great part to play. What it does or does not do determines whether children will develop fears, superiorities and complacencies--or awareness, appreciation, and understanding.

"Books and music, discussions and planned experiences, visitors from abroad, adopted children of other races, these are some of the means parents have used in trying to open the home windows for their families. In this pamphlet, they tell what they have done and the results. Each pair of parents write in their own way and present their own point of view as they record their family experiences.

"It is hoped that other parents will find ideas and techniques that will prove useful in helping their children to know more about the world and its peoples." (Friendship Press, 60¢; American Baptist Bookstores).

America for Christ

America for Christ Offering Sunday is February 24, 1957. The theme for the offering is "America for Christ ... training leaders for the future." Since this was a broad area, a section of it was chosen for implementation and use with children: "Schools in Latin America." From our Baptist schools in Puerto Rico, Cuba, Mexico, Haiti, El Salvador and Nicaragua, are coming the trained leadership in these countries. This leadership is serving not only in promoting, extending and strengthening our direct church program but is spreading Christian concern and witness into the national and professional life of each country. Our schools start boys and girls on a firm foundation of Christian belief and concern.

The materials are an offering box that represents a street scene in Latin America--homes with a school and playground at the end of the block. The offering box is built into this scene. The stories come as material written on a slate or blackboard.

These materials will come in quantity to each church. The Chairman of Missionary and Stewardship Education will give the children's material to the Chairman of Children's Work no later than January 27, 1957, and the Chairman of Children's Work will give materials to department leaders and teachers of classes at once.

Introduce the material in departments on February 3, 1957, sending offering box and stories home on the same day. Offering is to be returned and dedicated meaningfully in the department Sunday, February 24, 1957. Consult pastors and plan to have children's offering brought to the church service and given when the adult offering is received.





Department of Youth Work

Baptist Youth Fellowship

TO ASSOCIATION CHAIRMEN
OF YOUTH WORK

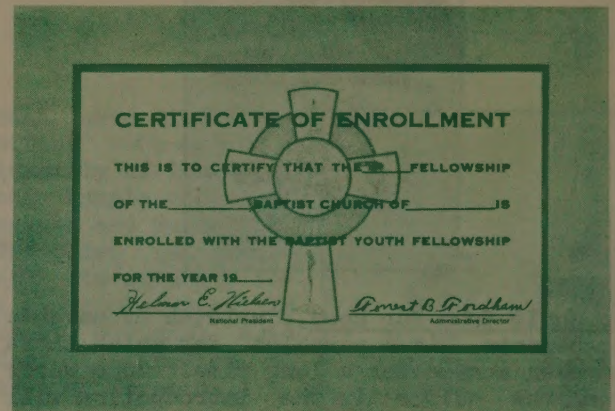
The Association Chairmen of Youth Work should be well into their year's program by the time this issue is received. The Association Chairmen who attended the District Training Conferences received material and suggestions on how to give leadership to the Cluster Training Conferences. Presumably those who were not able to attend the District Training Conferences received this material from the various state offices and have already given leadership to the Cluster Conferences. The Clusters were designed to bring together all local Chairmen of Youth Work who would spend the evening discussing their common task and reviewing the goals which needed to be accomplished during the fall and winter months. It would be well for the Association Chairman to check with local church chairmen by a postal card or otherwise to find out how many have been able to check off the first three or four goals as having been accomplished.

Early in the new year there will be new local church guide books available which list the goals to be worked on beginning next fall. These are to be published early so that all Association Chairmen can make sure that they have reached the local church chairmen in plenty of time for adequate preparation and planning. A little later you will be hearing about the plan in your state to conduct Spring Clusters in order to make the local church chairmen acquainted with these new working tools.

An important item of interest to all Association Chairmen of Youth Work is the new denominational program entitled, "Lay Development." Please note a description of this program in another column on these pages and particularly note the part which the Chairman of Youth Work will play.

You will be wise to refer often to your "This We Can Do In Youth Work In The Association" to make sure that all is being done that should be done to strengthen youth work within the Association.

NATIONAL ENROLLMENT IN THE BYF



The BYF now has a new plan of national enrollment. Our new method of reporting the work of local BYF Groups has rendered obsolete our former plan of sending Certificates of Enrollment and then upon receiving an annual report, sending a new seal for each successive year. At the request of the BYF Executive Board, the certificate has been re-designed and a copy is enclosed in each new annual packet. Also enclosed is an application for Enrollment Card. Please note that the local group is to fill in its own Certificate of Enrollment but the group is not officially enrolled until it returns the card to the BYF national office. If a church wishes to enroll additional groups it should secure application cards from its state office and send to the Philadelphia office. The enrollment is on an annual basis and local groups should enroll each year. National enrollment places the group on a special mailing list, and also encourages the group to feel that it is part of a significant national fellowship.

BYF MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Individual membership cards for active BYF members have been designed this year. These cards are to be signed by each local BYF president and are intended to encourage local BYFers to develop a deeper appreciation for their local Fellowships. These BYF Membership Cards are obtainable from the national BYF office or from any American Baptist bookstore at 25¢ per dozen or \$2 per 100.

NATIONAL BYF OFFICERS GIVE A YEAR OF SERVICE

This year two national BYF officers are giving a year of their time to serve the young people of the denomination. Helmar "Butch" Nielsen, national BYF President has already visited many of the churches of the American

Baptist Convention. His travels have taken him to state BYF conventions, to local churches, association BYF meetings, and to many other kinds of meetings.

"Butch" is from Humeston, Iowa. He has completed his second year at the William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. He is a member of the First Baptist Church in Kansas City, Mo.



"Butch" has been active in BYF in his own local BYF, in Iowa, and as a member of the Executive Board of the national BYF, serving last year as Executive Vice-President.

The national BYF Secretary, Gloria Pierce, is also serving as a BYF interne. Gloria is in the BYF office for four days each week and then is in churches on the week-ends. Her work in the national BYF office is to care for many of the details of the BYF Executive Board and the National Council.



For information about available dates of these officers, write the BYF office, 1703 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.

YOUTH EVANGELISM WEEK-ENDS

Many churches will be planning to conduct Youth Evangelism Week-ends during the next few months. This program of youth visitation, fellowship and inspiration has been used by churches of all sizes in many areas.

New help for preparing for a Youth Evangelism Week-end in a local church is available in a revised edition of the folder "Youth Evangelism Week-end" which describes the program, discusses reasons for having it, and the general objectives of this program.

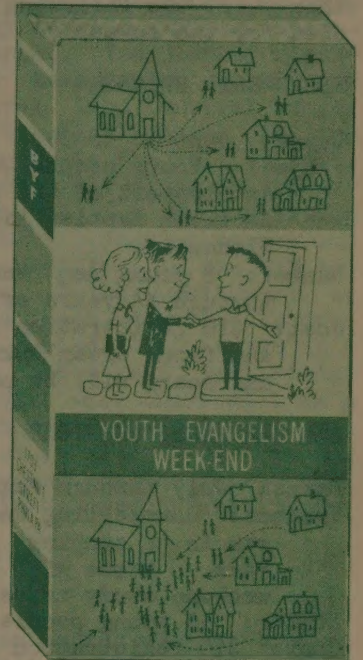
A time schedule is suggested for the program in the local church.

The preparation for a Youth Evangelism Week-end is very important. Usually the better the preparation, the better the results of the week-end. Plans for such a week-end should begin about six weeks prior to the week-end. The following important steps of preparation are suggested:

1. Inform the members of the BYF of the program and enlist their support. Appoint necessary sub-committees.
2. Gather a prospect list.
3. Make a special effort by visit, telephone or letter to enlist help of inactives.
4. Order needed materials.
5. Make arrangements for Fellowship party during the week-end.
6. Make plans for lodging of visiting leaders.
7. Send invitations to party and other activities two weeks before program.

Detailed suggestions for the week-end are given in THE CHRISTIAN WITNESS manual of the BYF.

Leadership for such programs are often by BYF state officers and others. For suggestions about leadership available in an area, write to the area Director of Christian Education, or Youth Director (listed inside the back cover of this issue).



SUMMER SERVICE PROGRAMS
OUTLINED FOR 1957

The response to the Summer Service Program of the B.Y.F. and B.S.M. was very good last year. In anticipation of a larger response this year, the following projects are scheduled for the summer:

FELLOWSHIP BUILDERS

Dates: June 16 to 29.

Project: Young people will help with the development of the camping area of the American Baptist Assembly at Green Lake, Wisconsin.

Number: 8 young men and 8 young women, 16 through 24 years of age.

Cost: \$10 registration fee, plus travel to and from Green Lake, Wisconsin. Room and board will be provided.

OLD OAK FARM, NEW YORK

Dates: July through August.

Project: Counselling underprivileged children in a camping program at Old Oak Farm. There will be opportunities for weekend study trips in New York City.

Number: 18 young people, ages 18-25.

Cost: \$10 registration fee, and travel to and from the camp. Remuneration will be provided for room and board, plus \$125 to \$200 for the entire camping period.

YOUTH ASSOCIATES

Dates: July through August.

Project: Young people who are thoroughly informed concerning the BYF spend the summer contacting Baptist Youth in summer camps and conferences. Training is given at the Older Youth Conference, June 22 to 29, at Green Lake.

Number: Limited number of young people who are seniors in high school or who have had one or two years of college.

Cost: No registration fee, but each person is asked to pay his own way to and from the training period at Green Lake. Beyond that, travel and living expenses will be provided.

CARAVAN TO EUROPE

Dates: July 1 to August 15.

Project: A group of older youth will travel to Europe and participate in work camps and youth gatherings in Italy, Germany, Switzerland, and Holland.

Number: 15 to 30 older youth, ages 18-25.

Cost: \$20 registration fee, plus travel and living expenses of approximately \$1000.

SOUTHERN NEVADA

Dates: June through August.

Project: A caravan of young people will conduct two weeks of Vacation Church Schools in more than a dozen isolated Nevada points, none of which have year-around Christian work.

Number: 16 to 20 young people who have had two years of college.

Cost: Registration fee of \$10, plus travel to and from Las Vegas. Living expenses on the field are provided.

STUDENTS IN INDUSTRY

Dates: June 8 to August 19.

Project: A group of older youth will study industrial problems by working in industry in Seattle, Washington. Jobs and earnings will vary widely. There will be deputation work in nearby churches, speakers, field trips and recreation.

Number: 30 young people over 18 years of age with one year of college or equivalent work experience.

Cost: \$15 registration fee plus travel to and from Seattle. Room and board \$14 per week, project fee \$2 per week. Insurance is provided.

THE CHURCH IN URBAN LIFE

Dates: June 14 to September 2.

Project: Projectors will find employment in business and industry in New York City. They will live at Judson Student House in the midst of "Greenwich Village," and will seek to find new ways for the church to serve in urban centers.

Number: 15 to 20 juniors, seniors, and graduate students in all fields of study.

Cost: Registration fee of \$10, plus travel to and from New York. Room and board \$14 per week, project fee \$2 per week. Insurance provided.

STUDENTS IN THE CHANGING COMMUNITY

Dates: June 8 to August 19.

Project: Projectors will participate in an extensive study of the sociological and religious problems of a community in transition. They will seek employment in Chicago business and industry, and also spend time in discussion, study, and field trips.

Number: 15 to 20 juniors, seniors, and graduate college students in all fields of study.

Cost: Registration fee of \$15, plus travel to and from Chicago. Room and board \$14 per week, project fee \$2 per week. Insurance provided.

STUDENTS IN THE CHRISTIAN CENTER

Dates: June 13 to August 9.

Project: Provides opportunities for leadership and training for those who are interested in the program of a Christian Social Service. Participants will live cooperatively at the Christian Center in Bloomington, Indiana, and will assist in the Center program. Participants also have the privilege of taking one course at Indiana University during the summer school session.

Number: 8 college or graduate students who have completed at least one year of college.

Cost: \$10 registration fee, plus travel to and from Bloomington. Room and board will be provided. Students pay their own fees at the University (\$8.00 per credit hour).

GREEN LAKE STUDENT STAFF

Dates: June 10 to September 6.

Project: The staff shares in a program of worship and study, and renders service to the American Baptist Assembly. Type of work: dining room carriers, waitresses, bellboys, kitchen helpers, etc.

Who: Those who will have completed one or more years of college work or who will have graduated in the spring of 1957.

Remuneration: Pays \$50 per month, plus room and board.

NEW FILMSTRIP - THE SCOUTING PROGRAM IN PROTESTANT CHURCH

This attractively produced colored filmstrip shows how Scouting can be integrated into the administration and program of local churches. The narration is on record, and also in a filmstrip guide.

The filmstrip can be used in local churches or at conferences to inform lay leaders, directors of Christian education, and ministers about the essential elements of scouting and how it can be used as a resource of the church in children's and youth work. The filmstrip including the guide is \$8.75. The recorded narration cost \$3.50. Order from: Visual Education Service, National Council, B.S.A., New Brunswick, New Jersey.

LAY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Beginning early in January all Association Chairmen of Youth Work should be hearing about a new denominational program which is to be launched during 1957. This program grew out of a real sense of need that has been echoed by many of the churches for help in training more lay workers to take specific jobs in the church. The plan of organization calls for Association Committees to guide the program thru several stages until it reaches the local church in the Fall of 1957 and again in the Fall of 1958. One of the people who will serve on the Association Committee is the Association Chairman of Youth Work. Another person who will serve on the committee is the BYF Association President. While youth work as such will not have a great stake in the program in 1957 this period will serve as a time of preparation for a real involvement in the program in 1958 when there will be a series of group meetings for all Adult Workers with Youth in every local church and another meeting of young people which will help to develop their leadership abilities.

S. O. S.

Many people have been asking whether S. O. S. is still to be promoted this coming year. The answer is definitely "yes." The World Relief Committee of The American Baptist Convention is looking to the Baptist Youth Fellowship to contribute a sizable part of the Baptist share in this important program. Perhaps the young people will be challenged to continue their efforts to support S. O. S. if they review for a moment what has been done during the past three years. The year 1954 a total of \$27,799.65 was given. In 1955 the total was \$32,546.51. In 1956 from January to November 1st the total given is \$41,009.90. This larger figure reflects the results of the S. O. S. parties which were held last February during the YBA Program.

All young people should be reminded that many people in the world are still hungry and that we still have an abundance of surplus food. Remember that \$1.00 buys the greatest food value of all time. One dollar given to help send surplus foods will deliver \$20.00 worth of food to the people who need it. All state offices have a supply of free materials to promote S.O.S. The cartoon folder entitled, "The Adventures of Sammy" which was used last year is still available and should be secured from your state office for distribution to your BYF groups.



Department of Adult Work

and Family Life

NATIONAL ADULT LABORATORY SCHOOL

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE ASSOCIATION CHAIRMAN

OF ADULT WORK

Next Steps

...If you have not seen "This We Can Do in Adult Work (Association)" be sure to obtain a copy from your state or city director of Christian education. (10 cents)

...Make plans to promote the observance of National Family Week by sending a reminder to local chairmen of adult work.

...Secure copies of the brand new booklet entitled "The Successful Adult Class" by Joseph John Hanson (20 cents) and send one to each local church chairman of adult work.

Write to the American Baptist Department of Adult Work, 1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 3, Pa., for a supply of publicity leaflets on the National Adult Laboratory School and the National Young Adult Family Camp at Green Lake and mail to local churches in your area.

Plan an exhibit of adult materials at the annual meeting of your association.

National Christian Education Conference

And Association Chairmen

A new feature in the National Christian Education Conference program at Green Lake next summer (August 17 to 24) will consist of daily interest groups for members of Association Committees on Christian education. The session for association chairmen of adult work will provide an unusual opportunity for these persons to discuss all aspects of adult Christian education, and to plan effective ways of reaching, training and counseling local church workers with adults.

Association chairmen of adult work who may be interested in attending this conference are urged to explore the possibility of having their expenses partially covered by the association, and of having the entire Association Committee on Christian Education travel together by automobile, thereby reducing this expense item.

One of the most exciting innovations at Green Lake next summer will be a Laboratory School for teachers and leaders of adults and young adults, from August 24 to 31.

...The aim of this laboratory school is to enable teachers of adults and young adult classes to participate in observation and practice teaching sessions under the guidance of nationally recognized leaders in the field of adult education; to provide new insights into the value and use of effective methods of teaching adults in Sunday church school and mission study classes; to make known the best available adult curricula resources; and to develop an understanding of adult characteristics and inter-group relationships.

Those Who are Eligible

...Persons who now teach (or are planning to teach) adult or young adult classes.

...Members of the local church committee on adult work.

...Local church and association chairmen of adult work.

...Persons on Boards of Christian Education who carry responsibility for the recruitment and training of adult teachers.

...State (City) Chairmen of Adult Work who plan to develop area laboratory schools.

...Persons who administer or teach stewardship and mission study courses.

Expenses

It is estimated that the cost of room and board per delegate (in a bedroom with two occupants) will amount to approximately fifty dollars for the week, plus travel expenses, and a \$10.00 registration fee.

Local Church Representation

Local church Boards of Christian Education are invited to send a selected teacher of adults or young adults to this laboratory school as an official delegate, underwriting all or a portion of the expenses.

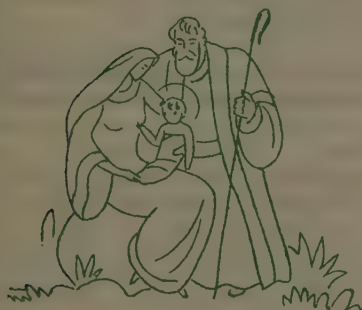
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For further information write to the Department of Adult Work and Family Life, 1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 3, Pa.

FAMILY WORSHIP AT CHRISTMAS

Pastors and local church chairmen of adult work who write to church families before Christmas to encourage Bible reading and worship will welcome the leaflet entitled "Christmas Joy: A Service for Your Home." This leaflet contains a lovely candle lighting ceremony for the home at Christmas, including carols, scripture, and prayer.

The cost is \$3.00 per 100 from the Department of Adult Work and Family Life, 1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 3, Pa. Orders received after December 15 cannot be promised before Christmas. Send cash with orders that are less than \$1.00.



NATIONAL YOUNG ADULT FAMILY CONFERENCE

Another national family conference will be held next summer at Green Lake from August 3-10, 1957.

The theme of this conference is to be "Family Life at Home and Church" and the program will provide an opportunity for families to combine an outdoor experience with personal enrichment, inspiration, and training for local church leadership.

Only forty families can be accommodated, therefore all who are interested should be urged to register not later than February, 1957; earlier, if possible.

Send the names of prospects, and write to the Department of Adult Work for additional information and a registration application.

SPECIAL MATERIALS TO ASSIST IN PLANNING

FOR NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK

In order to assist those who wish to develop an effective family-centered program for National Family Week (May 5-12, 1957), the Department of Adult Work and Family Life has prepared special program suggestions and supporting resources, as follows:

...FAMILY WEEK PROGRAM PACKET. 25¢. This packet contains a variety of program ideas and sample leaflets for family distribution. (Available January 15, 1957.)

...1957 NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK PROGRAM GUIDE. 15 cents. A 32 page resource book with daily suggestions for family activities, church projects, and special programs. Useful resources are also listed. (Included as part of the program packet, but also sold separately.) (Available, January 15.)

Other materials of value to families include:

...FAMILY WORSHIP PACKET. 15 cents.

...TABLE BLESSING CARD. 2 cents.

...TEACHING CHILDREN WORLDMINDEDNESS IN THE HOME. 2 cents each.

...TABLE PRAYERS AND SINGING GRACES. 2 cents.

...YOU ARE TEACHING YOUR CHILD RELIGION. 3 cents.

...CHRISTIAN WORSHIP IN THE FAMILY. 2 cents.

...FAMILY FUN. 2 cents.

...A PRAYER FOR PARENTS. 1 cent.

...A FAMILY COVENANT CARD is also available (2 cents) for pastors and church school leaders who will seek to enlist families in the practice of Bible reading, grace at mealtime, daily devotions, etc.

Write for these materials to the American Baptist Department of Adult Work and Family Life, 1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 3, Pa. (Please send cash with orders that are less than \$1.00.)



Department of Missionary and Stewardship Education

NEXT STEPS FOR THE ASSOCIATION CHAIRMAN

DECEMBER.

BIBLE READING. December is marked as Bible-reading month. It is not exclusively so. But it helps to focus attention and to have a special time to challenge people to establish regular Bible reading habits.

Call attention to the various plans which are available:

The Bible Book of the Month - a book at a sitting.

The Secret Place - Family devotions

A Book of Remembrance - Missionary intercession

Pages of Power - Sr. Hi BYF readings

Daily Bible Reading Plan - American Bible Society

Each serves a different purpose and persons or groups should choose the plan according to the purpose.

CHRISTMAS AND MISSIONS. Christmas is a wonderful time to highlight missions. Much can be done in the home and the church to emphasize our world responsibility in ceremony, drama, and pageant. This ought to draw on local ingenuity. Especially recommend the giving of missionary reading books as Christmas remembrances. See the December **MISSIONS** Magazine for suggestions.

During this month local church committees will probably be having one of their quarterly meetings. Most will have their manuals and leaflets to guide them. Try to help them with their plans and bring to their attention these additional program ideas and resources.

JANUARY.

Many churches will be planning to have their Schools of Missions and Stewardship in this month. Encouragement to the earliest ordering and purchase of materials, preparation by teachers, and thorough church-wide promotion are in order. You might check your reports for churches which did not have such a school last year and encourage them to do so this year.

Exhibits of missionary items of interest may be prepared for use in connection with a School of Missions. Bibles in many languages, costumes, menus, souvenirs, maps, flags,

picture stories, letters from missionaries, books and their jackets are some ideas.

FEBRUARY.

BROTHERHOOD MONTH. Through the nation-wide observance of Race Relations Sunday held annually on the second Sunday in February, churches and communities stimulate and sustain continued programs which provide for better human relationships. Growing steadily in all the forty-eight states, and reaching into Hawaii, Alaska, and the Canal Zone, Race Relations Sunday emphasizes basic problems of the responsibility of all Christians to apply the principle of brotherhood in every aspect of life.

Literature and other program materials for use on February 10, 1957--Race Relations Sunday--will be published in the **INTERRACIAL NEWS SERVICE**. This bi-monthly publication may be subscribed for through the Interracial News Service, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y. at \$2.00 for the year. Additional copies of the message may be had from the Department of Racial and Cultural Relations (at the same address) at 4¢ each, or \$3.00 per hundred. (Please pay with order.)

Some churches may have a Social Action Committee working in this area. If no one is responsible, it would be a fine project for the Committee on Missionary and Stewardship Education to promote.

AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING PROJECT. The major activity in February will be the America for Christ Offering Project. The chairman should check with the pastor, after January 15, for the material to be used in each department of the church school, and with the age-group chairman where it will be used. The materials are shipped directly to the pastors. Any supplementary or additional materials needed will have to be ordered from the director of missionary cooperation in the city society or state convention office. The plan for the use of the presentation calls for a twelve-minute period of worship before or after class sessions and should not interfere with Sunday school classes. Be sure that plans are made for taking up an offering on the third Sunday. The theme for 1957 is "... training leaders for the future."

MARCH

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER. All around the world the women in the churches sponsor a day of prayer. This coming year it will take place on March 8, 1957. A basic packet of materials may be purchased from the National Council of Churches, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y., for \$0.50 plus postage. Shipping deadline is February 22, 1957.

THREE STEWARDSHIP BOOKS

Some important books for the study of stewardship among adults should be:

A Theology for Christian Stewardship by T. A. Kantonen. Here we have a summary of the doctrines of evangelical theology underlying Christian stewardship. Dr. Kantonen shows how theology and stewardship belong together . . . how the link that connects the two is the Gospel. . . and how since this is true, it is necessary for the Christian to explore the full possibilities of stewardship in the light of the Christian gospel. \$2.00, cloth; \$1.25, paper.

Christian Giving by V. S. Azariah. Bishop Azariah gives an inspiring record of Christian giving in some of the younger churches of the mission fields. One will gain a new understanding of stewardship from the Asiatic point of view and will rediscover the eternal truths proclaimed by Jesus Christ, then by Paul, and needing to be greatly rediscovered in the Twentieth Century. \$1.25.

Stewardship in the New Testament by Holmes Rolston. The central concern is that of Paul's teachings on stewardship, but is also in a very real sense the essence of the teachings of Jesus. Dr. Mark A. Dawber wrote "I can think of no greater contribution that could be made to the whole cause of missions both at home and abroad, than the study of this volume in all the churches." \$1.00.

THANK YOU. A hearty thank-you is in order for all the state, city, and association chairmen who did such a splendid job of distributing the free leaflets to the local church committees this last spring. This was a new experience for a Christian education officer. (This was done formerly through the women's organization.) A great measure of success was achieved. If any of you have unused leaflets, will you make them available, first, to churches without them, and, second, to your state or city director of Christian education. Thank you, again.

PROMOTE SUMMER CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE NOW.

One of the direst needs in the church is for a trained leadership with respect to missions. Chairmen of various age groups and organizations need to be familiar with the objectives, problems, resources, and program in missions. One specific need is for teachers in Schools of Missions.

Summer conferences provide one set of opportunities to this end. There are six interdenominational conferences across the country and one national denominational conference at Green Lake.

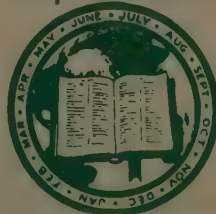
It is important for the association and the local church to be thinking, planning, and helping to make possible the attendance of some one at some of these conferences. Promote the idea of attending these conferences (dates and details will be announced after the first of the year), start selecting delegates (summer plans are made early), and try to find some scholarship help to send the delegate who will serve the churches of your association.

A new feature at the Christian Education Conference at Green Lake will be an interest group in the afternoon for Association Chairmen of Missionary and Stewardship Education. Associations should include this in their annual plans.

THIS WE ARE DOING --

"Led session with adult workers of youth in a Missions Workshop setup with our Promotion Department: one hour session on the foreign field and one hour session on the home field. It was excellent. About seventy attended the Youth Section. We went through the regular processes of setting up a School of Missions (youth section) using different teaching techniques with all available materials."--Edith Zibelli, Massachusetts.

The Bible



Book of the Month

December. Luke

January Exodus

February. . . Ruth, Philemon



Department of Administration and Leadership Education

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JUDSON RECORD SYSTEM

Possibly nothing has aroused more interest in the Christian education program during the last few months than the Judson Record System. Many churches began use of the System as of October, 1956, and others will inaugurate it on January first, 1957. Again, many have made a study of their own records or the Judson Record System through their Workers' Conference Programs, making use of Baptist Leader topics for October, November, and December. Your pastor or superintendent or both should have received (in August) a letter about the Judson Record System, including a brochure and a simple blank, which when filled out and sent to proper address would bring a sample Kit and interpretative manual, "How to Use the Judson Record System." Why not check with your pastor and superintendent or write to your American Baptist Publication Society Bookstore for the sample Kit and manual, if your church has not received its free copy of each of these materials.

CONCERN AND HELP FOR THE PUPIL

The Judson Record System places the emphasis where it belongs--on the pupil. Already we have had to go to press for the third time with the helpful folder, "Teacher's Personal Record of Pupils," which is evidence that our teachers care and have concern for those they teach. A teacher should be given a Portfolio with as many of the folders as he has pupils. You will want to examine these materials.

PORTFOLIO TEACHER'S PERSONAL RECORD OF PUPILS

Their Interests

Special Needs

Attendance

Growth

FOR YOU, MR. SUPERINTENDENT

Two means to help you in your work, a book and a conference. THE SUPERINTENDENT PLANS HIS WORK by Idris W. Jones is priced at 75 cents. The book is a text for First Series Course 611a and may be ordered from your American Baptist Publication Society Bookstore. You will want it for your personal reading. Dr. Jones, the author, has been in touch with the work of the superintendent over a period of many years. He has twice directed the national conference for superintendents at Green Lake. Chapter titles of the book are as follows:

1. The General Superintendent Views His Work
2. The Teaching Program of the Sunday Church School
3. Organizing and Administering the Sunday Church School
4. The General Superintendent Works with Others
5. The Workers' Conference
6. The Spiritual Life of the Sunday Church School.

We are happy to announce that two conferences have been planned for superintendents during the 1957 Christian Education Workers' Conference scheduled for Green Lake, August 17-24, 1957. One group will give help for the superintendent in the "small" church while a second group will provide help for superintendents of larger churches. In this way, discussion can be more relevant and to the point and each superintendent can be given more individual attention.

STANDARD OF ACHIEVEMENT "Time is Running Out"

Most churches began working on the second year of the Standard of Achievement as of September 1, 1956. This was important for churches which made a gain of 5% in Sunday church school attendance for the year ending August 31 and want to benefit by having to gain only 4% in the succeeding year. However churches can inaugurate the Standard of Achievement as late as January 1, 1957 -- but no later. Don't let the time run out.

NO CHURCH IS TOO LARGE OR TOO SMALL TO MAKE USE OF THE STANDARD OF ACHIEVEMENT. WRITE FOR APPLICATION FORM OR OBTAIN INFORMATION TODAY. BEGIN USE OF THE STANDARD OF ACHIEVEMENT NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 1957.

ASSOCIATION CHAIRMAN LEADERSHIP EDUCATION

A Look Into 1957

The Fall Meetings are behind us. National and Area Directors of Christian Education are encouraged by the fine spirit of cooperation exemplified by you Association Chairmen. What next? First, I hope you have read and will re-read your ASSOCIATION HANDBOOK, "This We Can Do in Leadership Education." While all seven goals suggested there are important, I wish to emphasize Goals 3, 5, and 6. Let's look at these three goals.

Goal 3. "Encourage every church to have a Chairman of Leadership Education." Test your work by answering the following questions: How many churches in your Association have a Chairman of Leadership Education? ____ Do not have? ____ How many have you contacted, worked with and been able to help strengthen one or more phases of their training program? ____ With how many have you had no contact? ____

Goal 5. "Urge every church to hold Leadership Education Courses." As you know, it was suggested that the four courses on Methods of Teaching Children, Youth, and Adults (211Ma, 311Ma, 411Ma--or 141.1Ma) be emphasized for October and the fall months. Some churches did not use the courses because they put it off, preferred a later date, or possibly participated in an interdenominational school. With help and encouragement, many of the churches will teach the courses sometime between January and May. Therefore, urge the churches to use these courses which are geared to help regular and prospective teachers do a more effective work of teaching in the Sunday church school. The text materials with special guides are good, and available. Let's urge every church to offer at least one course for leadership education credit this year.

Goal 6. "Help each church to achieve all of its goals." Read again the LOCAL CHURCH HANDBOOK, "This We Can Do in Leadership Education," noting the specific goals. I suggest you read carefully Goals 1, 2, 4, 5, and 7. Before offering help to a church on any of these goals, sit down and outline what you would say to a church of fifty members or less should it want help on Goals 1, 2, 4, 5 or 7. Then take a larger church of 150 to 200 members, then the largest church in your Association. "What is my own church doing

about each goal" might be a good question. By such a study, you will grow as you help the churches to develop Christian leadership. May you be blessed as you serve.

SPECIAL TRAINING FOR THE ASSOCIATION CHAIRMAN OF LEADERSHIP EDUCATION

The 1956 Christian Education Workers' Conference held at Green Lake was one of the largest and best, with 117 more delegates than the previous year. Many new features are being worked into next year's program, with special help for Association Chairmen. An hour each day, Monday through Friday, is being provided in the program whereby all Leadership Education Association Chairmen in attendance will study together their job.

There will be ample time remaining in the program for you to choose from conferences in Bible study, methods of teaching, on the work of the pastor, superintendent, Board of Christian Education, local church chairman of leadership education, in addition to hearing outstanding speakers. Here is a real opportunity to train for your Association job, your local church task, and enrich your spiritual life. The dates of the Christian Education Workers' Conference are August 17 (afternoon) to August 24 (breakfast). For further information write to James E. Fidler, 1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 3, Pa.

LOCAL CHURCH DIRECTORS' TRAINING CONFERENCES

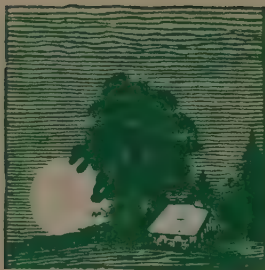
Berkeley, Calif.	Cincinnati, Ohio
January 15-18, 1957	February 9-14, 1957

PLAN TO ATTEND ONE OF THESE CONFERENCES.
LEARN AND SHARE WITH OTHER DIRECTORS OF
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

ANNOUNCING The Christian Education Workers' Conference, Green Lake, Wis., Aug. 17-24, 1957.

The General Theme, "Learning Together in Christian Fellowship," will place emphasis on "group dynamics." There will be conferences for: Association chairmen of Christian education and the five special areas of work ... Local church directors.. Superintendents.. Church school teachers.. Pastors.

Special Interest Groups in: Home and church... Music... Student counselling.. Choral speaking... Recreation" and leadership... The church library.



Department of Camps and Summer Conferences

1957 TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Our greatest need in the area of camping is, of course, the well-trained camp leader. There is no substitute for an effective leadership training program at each campsite. However, the National Council of Churches is providing very valuable training, which is listed below. You will be sent application forms. May we strongly urge that you give serious consideration to these opportunities. Please note that for the first time National Camp has been reduced in length. There will now be two two-week periods, and you may attend either period or both, as you wish. Cost: National Camp, \$125.00 each period; four-day Regionals, \$28.00.

REGIONALS

<u>State</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Director</u>
Kansas	Camp Mear's Park Ottawa	May 6 - 10	Mabel Metze 222 Mission Bldg., Indianapolis
Virginia	Camp Highroad Leeburg	May 6 - 10	Aileen Sanborn Box 871, Nashville 2, Tenn.

DAY CAMP REGIONALS

Indiana	Bradford Woods Martinsville, Ind.	Sept. 30 - Oct. 4	Paul Weaver 22 So. State St., Elgin, Ill.
New England	Winnepesaukee, N.H.	June 10 - 14	Lois Blankenship 1703 Chestnut St., Phila. 3, Pa.
California	Asilomar	April 29 - May 3	LaDonna Bogardus Box 871, Nashville 2, Tenn.

RELATED REGIONALS

Indiana-Ohio	Bradford Woods Martinsville, Ind.	Sept. 30 - Oct. 4	Ed. L. Schlingman 1505 Race St., Phila. 2, Pa.
Michigan	Detroit Baptist Camp Lapeer	April 29 - May 3	Aileen Sanborn Box 871, Nashville 2, Tenn.
Wisconsin	Camp Byron	May 13 - 17	John Francis Box 129, 148 N. Pearl St. Berlin, Wis.

NATIONAL CAMP

Matamoras, Pa.	August 1 - 14 and August 15 - 28	Rodney Britten 1703 Chestnut St., Phila. 3, Pa.
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CAMPSITE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION CONSULTATIONS

S. California	Camp Colby	Sept. 23 - 27	Ed. L. Schlingman (address above)
Oregon	Camp Arrah Wana Wenme	Sept. 16 - 20	Ed. L. Schlingman
Indiana	Bradford Woods Martinsville	May 6 - 10	Ed. L. Schlingman

A PRINCIPLE OF ORGANIZATION

Every once in a while there is need to restate a principle long held in our Convention. That is, the camp program of the Convention is an integral part of the total Christian education program of the Convention, just as camping is part of the total program of a local church. To express this relationship it is necessary to organize the camping committee within the framework of the Committee on Christian Education of your state or association.

These principles will help in evaluating your present organization at the state or association level if you are operating a camp.

1. The camp committee should be a subcommittee of the Committee on Christian Education of your state or association.
2. The camp committee should be responsible for all phases of camping. This would include, among other things, the planning and designing and supervision of a camp construction project; financing, managing, and promoting a camp; planning the camp program; and selecting and training camp leaders.
3. Camping is of such a nature that the functions of property management, programming, and camp administration cannot be successfully separated over a period of time. All functions should be combined in one camping committee.
4. The Committee on Christian Education is best qualified to supervise the camping committee since camping is wholly in the Christian education field.
5. The interests of other Convention agencies should be carefully considered and such personnel should be included in the camping activities of a given area.
6. The camp property should be held by the convention in the manner usually applied to such property by the convention. Some areas will want to form a separate holding corporation for this purpose. When this is done, this corporation should have no other function in camping but the legal holding of the property and the camping committee should function at all other points.
7. The committee on camping may wish to divide itself into smaller committees to accomplish some of the items under 2.

Care should be taken that no group of people get too extreme a sense of possessiveness for any one of these phases of work.

8. The committee should be elected for a three-year term. Membership should be rotated so that not more than one-third of the committee will be replaced in any one year. Some states will want to allow committee members to succeed themselves.

DO YOU NEED MONEY FOR CAMPSITE DEVELOPMENT?

The raising of money for the development of your camp is big business. There are a few principles of which you will want to be aware.

- 1) Acquaint the largest possible number of people with the needs for camping in your area.
- 2) Involve the largest possible number of people in the actual organization for the campaign.
- 3) Select a person who is thoroughly familiar with the best money-raising techniques for church groups.
- 4) It takes time to organize and acquaint the people in your area with your campsite development plans. Do not try to launch your campaign prematurely.
- 5) The CMC representative in your area will be of real value to you. Include him in your plans.
- 6) Some camps have found it extremely valuable to interpret the project in terms of units of building to which persons or churches can relate themselves, e.g., a cabin at a specific price. (Caution: the control of such buildings must remain with the camp committee.)
- 7) Adequate publicity and information is a must for a successful campaign.

DON'T MISS THIS!

The November International Journal of Religious Education is a special camping issue entitled "The Church Out-of-Doors." Every camp leader owes it to himself to read it from cover to cover. The articles have been written by outstanding camp leaders in America.



For Chairmen of Association Committees on Christian Education

ACHIEVEMENT PLAQUES BEING DISTRIBUTED

Members of the Department of Administration and Leadership Education have had a busy fall processing the hundreds of applications for the Achievement Recognition that have been pouring in.

We are greatly indebted to those who have served, along with staff personnel, as members of the Board of Judges -- Miss Myrtle Love, Mrs. David Raycroft (nee Cay Hermann), Mrs. Wilfred T. Packer, Rev. William Johnston, and Rev. Charles Griffin. These people have gratuitously given hours of their time to process the applications. Their work was made more difficult by the fact that approximately one-third of the applications were filled out in a faulty manner--either answers were incomplete or they were not clear. This made it necessary to contact the senders and secure additional data.

Churches achieving the gold recognition were delayed in receiving their plaques. When the original shipment of gold dates for these plaques was received, it was discovered that they did not meet our specifications. Consequently they were returned to the factory, and we had to wait for a new shipment, which required an additional month. By this time, churches should have received their plaques, unless their applications were received late, or were faulty.

In many of our state convention meetings this fall, special recognition was given to churches which had earned the achievement plaque. This is something you may wish to do in your association meeting each year. A list of the churches receiving the recognition can be secured by writing to our Department of Leadership Education.

It is interesting to note that of the churches thus far receiving the plaque, there is almost an equal distribution of gold, silver, and bronze dates.

HELP YOUR AREA DIRECTOR

It is most important that an up-to-date list of your association committee members be kept in both the state and the national offices. For example, we are sending the JUDSON JOURNAL and other pieces of literature to your committee members. If there has been a change in your personnel concerning which we are not informed, this material is not reaching the persons for whom it is intended.

Your area director of Christian education has a form in his office on which he regularly sends us changes in association committee personnel. But he is not clairvoyant and he may not know about these changes unless you tell him. Won't you keep him informed concerning any changes in your association.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

We want to share with the other association committee chairmen significant things that you are doing. Let us know about your Cluster Conferences or any other service which you are rendering the churches of your association. And if you have a good picture, we may be able to use that too. Don't be bashful about it. The things that you are doing will be an inspiration to others.



A scene that is being duplicated in 400 churches. The complete list will appear in the next issue.



Audio-Visuals

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For the Record

Points up that: (a) parents are the primary teachers of religion; (b) their teaching is done many times incidentally; (c) parents may plan direct Christian teaching for the home in cooperation with the church.

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Per unit, \$4.00 (plus postage). Black and white, silent, reading script with provision for each denomination to use its own terminology.

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Field Schedule

The Field Schedule of the National Staff is listed below in order to help you in making the maximum use of their time in your area. If staff members are coming near your area, and you need their help, please contact them at once. It may be possible to add your visit to their schedule.

LOIS BLANKENSHIP

December
15-31 Vacation
January
8-10 Michigan
28 Philadelphia, Pa.
29 New York City
30 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-14 Cincinnati, Ohio
18-22 Philadelphia, Pa.

RODNEY M. BRITTEN

December
15-31 Vacation
January
20-30 Pottstown, Pa.
31 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-14 Cincinnati, Ohio
19,20 Philadelphia, Pa.
21,22 Haverford, Pa.

KENNETH L. COBER

December
15-28 Vacation
January
2 New York City
4 Philadelphia, Pa.
8 Philadelphia, Pa.
12 New York City
16-22 Rhode Island
28 Philadelphia, Pa.
29,30 New York City
31 to
February
7 Green Lake, Wis.
8-15 Cincinnati, Ohio
21,22 Haverford, Pa.

MARGARET L. CRAIN

December
15-31 Vacation
January
4-9 Bethesda, Md.
12,13 Bethesda, Md.
10,11 Chester, Pa.
29 New York City
30 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-14 Cincinnati, Ohio
18-22 Philadelphia, Pa.

JAMES E. FIDLER

December
15-31 Vacation
January
7-8 Green Lake, Wis.
11-21 N. California
28 Philadelphia, Pa.
29,30 New York City
31 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-13 Cincinnati, Ohio
14-15 Philadelphia, Pa.
19 Philadelphia, Pa.
21,22 Philadelphia, Pa.

FORREST B. FORDHAM

December
27 to
January
1 Dayton, Ohio
3 New York City
25-30 New York City
31 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-13 Cincinnati, Ohio
14,15 Philadelphia, Pa.
16-20 Michigan
21,22 Philadelphia, Pa.
25,26 Michigan
28 Cleveland, Ohio
JOSEPH JOHN HANSON
December
17-31 Vacation
January
3 New York City
7-8 Philadelphia, Pa.
12-19 N. California
29-30 Philadelphia, Pa.
31 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-15 Cincinnati, Ohio

WILLIAM J. KEECH

December
15-31 Vacation
January
2 Philadelphia, Pa.
3,4 New York City
7-11 Philadelphia, Pa.
13-16 Washington, D. C.
17-21 Philadelphia, Pa.
22,23 New York City
24,30 Philadelphia, Pa.

WILLIAM J. KEECH (cont'd)

January 31 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-15 Cincinnati, Ohio
17-24 Indiana
25-28 Illinois
KENNETH E. PETERSON
December
15-26 Vacation
27 to
January
1 Dayton, Ohio
8-19 N. California
20-27 S. California
29-30 Philadelphia, Pa.
31 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-13 Cincinnati, Ohio
14,15 Philadelphia, Pa.
MIRIAM A. PETERSON
December
21-28 Vacation
January
22-25 Philadelphia, Pa.
29,30 New York City
31 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-13 Cincinnati, Ohio
19,20 Philadelphia, Pa.
21,22 Haverford, Pa.
FLORENCE STANSBURY
December
15-31 Vacation
January
10-11 Trenton, N. J.
21-25 Philadelphia, Pa.
29-30 New York City
31 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-14 Cincinnati, Ohio
21,22 Philadelphia, Pa.
24-28 Seattle, Wash.
CHARLES R. WOODSON
December 27 to
January
1 Dayton, Ohio
14-19 Vermont
27-30 New York City
31 to
February
8 Green Lake, Wis.
9-13 Cincinnati, Ohio



A Directory of Directors

The Directors Say

You will find listed below those responsible for State and City Christian Education work within their local areas.

For your convenience they are coded as follows: SD - State Director; CD - City Director; YD - Youth Director; ChD - Children's Director; EX - Executive Secretary; AD - Associate Director; CaD - Camping Director.

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Rollin V. Wildin - Nebraska. Training conferences were held in five different Clusters. Our Christian Education Committees on both the associational and local levels are stronger than they were last year, and there is a much better understanding of the task before them than was true before YBA.....We anticipate increased numbers of churches working at some phase of the Christian education program in a very intensive way.

Arthur J. Hyde - Wisconsin. We have had all of our annual association meetings and worked primarily upon the appointment of good association Committees on Christian Education. One thing that the YBA did for us was to train people in the association for leadership in this field. For the first time in history we had a little choice as to who might be elected on these committees. I think that we now have good committees on each one of our eleven associations. I have met with every one of the committees for the District Training Conferences. These were very well received and the committees seemed to be glad to have a greater responsibility for this year's Clusters.

J. Samuel Bailey - S. Calif. Cluster Conferences were held in nine of the ten areas -- over a thousand members of Boards of Christian Education attended the ten Clusters. Every phase of Christian education was covered. We emphasized not only the five areas set up by the national program, but added camping and student counseling.

Arthur L. Maye - N.J. We are in the midst of Achievement Training Conferences. The response to these conferences, while not nearly so strong as attendance in YBA, does point out the fact that several churches in each association either have or are going to form them, and want this further explicit guidance. The role playing of the work of the Board of Christian Education has proved to be an attractive and informative feature of the conferences. Some people have expressed that they got more out of that than anything else. The reliance which we have placed upon the association committees to conduct the conferences and to be in charge of the simultaneous sessions has disclosed to these committees, in no uncertain terms, that their positions are positions of responsibility. In most instances they have risen well to the occasion. I am sure we can predict much stronger association committees, because we have given them a task to do.

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